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FICTION

MUST BOOKS

March 2

Canfield, Dorothy — SEASONED TIMBER — Harcourt, Brace

** Vermont to its core, and showing once again Dorothy Canfield's shrewd understanding of village psychology. Each character is individual, not merely a type, and in the conflict precipitated by a bequest with a string attached, the fundamentals of Yankee tradition are sharply etched. The story revolves around the principal of the small-town Academy, Timothy Hulme, with his tender protective love for his old aunt, his inarticulate love for young Susan, his idealistic passion for independent thought and action. A completely American book, in which world problems are seen through the wrong end of the opera glass, in miniature. Here is an author who has the gift for telling a homely story with such a sense of humanity that she gives it deep significance. A book for sure sales and rentals. $2.50

March 17

Zweig, Stefan — BEWARE OF PITY — Viking

In this his first full length novel, Stefan Zweig shows his ability to read into the secret hearts of his characters, the faculty that has given such a human quality to his biographies. This is a strange and somewhat morbid story, set in a frame which adds nothing to its value. A retired officer, a hero to his fellows, tells his own story not in extenuation but in explanation of the real meaning back of his seeming indifference to danger. It is a story which is symbolic - a story of a man, caught in an inescapable web woven of pity and emotions too strong to resist. The setting is pre-war Vienna and the countryside - a drab town where a military post is established, and the castle on the outskirts, with its strange household, revolving around the whims and unwholesome neuroticism of a crippled girl. One feels in reading it, thoroughly aware as an outsider of the net closing around the young officer - and powerless to halt the march of fate. The end is, in a sense, a surprise. Zweig manages to sustain the sense of conflict and to hold the suspense throughout. Zweig has been lecturing fairly widely over the country, and his new audience will add readers to the already wide market for his biographies. $2.50

~~April 21~~ 14

Steinbeck, John — THE GRAPES OF WRATH — Viking

** This is the sort of book that stirs one so deeply that it is almost impossible to attempt to convey the impression it leaves. It is the story of today's *Exodus*, of America's great trek, as the hordes of dispossessed tenant farmers from the dust bowl turn their hopes to the promised land of California's fertile valleys. The story of one family, with the "hangers-on" that the great heart of extreme poverty sometimes collects, but in that story is symbolized the saga of a movement in which

society is before the bar. What an indictment of a system - what an indictment of want and poverty in the land of plenty! There is flash after flash of unforgettable pictures, sharply etched with that restraint and power of pen that singles Steinbeck out from all his contemporaries. There is anger here, but it is a deep and disciplined passion, of a man who speaks out of the mind and heart of his knowledge of a people. One feels in reading that so they must think and feel and speak and live. It is an unresolved picture, a record of history still in the making. Not a book for casual reading. Not a book for unregenerate conservative. But a book for everyone whose social conscience is astir - or who is willing to face facts about a segment of American life which *is* and which must be recognized. Steinbeck is coming into his own. A new and full length novel from his pen is *news*. Publishers backing with advertising, promotion aids, posters, etc. Sure to be one of the big books of the Spring. First edition limited to half of advance as of March 1st. One half of dealer's orders to be filled with firsts. $2.75

SECOND STRING - BUT SURE SELLERS

February 23

Farson, Negley **THE STORY OF A LAKE** Harcourt, Brace

A novel by a man whose journalist's records have been best sellers, is sure of a substantial sale, although on its own merits this novel does not rank tops. Through the story of a newspaper man, emotionally unstable, addicted to the old brown jug, and covering the world and observing it with rather brittle facility, one gets glimpses of the passing scene. There is vivid writing, a fast-paced story, but the characters are superficial, externally motivated, and the story goes fast nowhere in particular. Tony Lynd and the three women in his life - sex, drink and remorse which drives him into cutting loose from all anchors and seeking self knowledge in a remote part of British Columbia. Readable enough - but unimportant. $2.50

March 10

Gibbs, Philip THIS NETTLE, DANGER Doubleday, Doran

This is another of those "listening in" novels, in which the story is secondary and the interest lies chiefly in tracing the problems and the conflicts and the states of mind and being of current days through the conversations among the characters. Frankly, if it were not for a certain glamor which Sir Philip Gibbs' name casts over his public, the book would be acknowledged as trash. The plot is perfunctory - dealing with a thoroughly unconvincing and callow American youth engaged, one is told, in the profession of journalism. One would have little respect for American journalism if he were a sample of the roving correspondent! Luck breaks and gives him an inside seat at most of the critical events of the past two years, from the abdication of Edward VIII on to the September crisis. By and large, the book drifts towards justification of Mr. Chamberlain and of the English generally. A naive book, which will not add to his laurels, but which may sell and may rent on his reputation for easy reading. $2.50

March 21

Roberts, Cecil THEY WANTED TO LIVE Macmillan

This novel picks up the character of the porter at the Victoria station, the one who did not take the famous "Four-Thirty" and tells how he got his chance, not only of the Continental tour of which he dreamed, but the girl he loved as a wife. Those who liked *Victoria Four-Thirty* provide a ready-made market for this, and the story itself is a wish fulfillment sort of set-up, for those who visualize Fate

handing them a surprise package in the form of winning the Football Pool, or what-have-you? It is a fairy tale come true - without the eventual happy ending, for money proves their undoing, and chance throws them into fast society in Vienna, the gaiety of the Hungarian life, and a passionate interlude which ends in tragedy. A sure renter. $2.50

Some Important Names - and Special Markets.

A new novel by Henry Handel Richardson, THE YOUNG COSIMA (Norton); ROPE OF GOLD by Josephine Herbst (Harcourt, Brace); a Sholem Asch - SONG OF THE VALLEY (Putnam). Watch them!

PROBLEMATICAL BOOKS - *Fiction*

February 23

Delavan, Maude Smith — A RUMELHEART MUST ROAM — Stokes

It is a sequel to *The Rumelhearts of Rampler Avenue* but doesn't quite recapture the appeal of that, although Mrs. Rumelheart still has her following. This is the story of what happened to the members of the family when Mr. Rumelheart took to the road and left them to enjoy their home at long last. The fortunes of Alfie in romance, of Toots on the radio, of Aggie May in music - and even of Ma, who wins a recipe contest, form the first part of the story. Then Pa comes back - they buy a trailer - and off they go once more. Humor and a tug at the heart strings. $2.00

March ~~29~~ 24

Richardson, Henry Handel — THE YOUNG COSIMA — Norton

* A new type of book for the author of *Ultima Thule*. She has taken the dramatic love story of Cosima Liszt and Richard Wagner, she has held scrupulously to the facts, and searched the inner thoughts and emotions of her characters and so made the story her own. She has reconciled biography and history, yielding to Wagner full measure of his charm and genius, to Von Bulow the role of hero in his devotion to the man who defrauded him, to Cosima as a great woman, a great lover, a great power in the life of the man she finally belonged to. The author has avoided the pitfalls of sensationalism in treating a subject that might warrant it; in fact she is too careful and restrained to take full measure of her dramatic values. A fine novel and a careful study for a discriminating market - not a book for general popular sale. $3.50

March 2

Herbst, Josephine — ROPE OF GOLD — Harcourt, Brace

Miss Herbst is one of those writers from whom one is always hoping that the next novel will strike the divine spark. She has rare gifts, which - even in this new novel - are not quite realized. Her situations are fraught with many - perhaps too many - of the struggles and conflicts of America today. In an attempt to weave into one pattern, many strands of life, she produces a book that is unresolved, unsatisfying. Jonathan and Victoria Chance, believing passionately in the causes of labor, the farmer, and so on, fail to work out their own problems - or to make any real contribution elsewhere. The Carsons, the Thompsons- others in the intricate pattern - struggle, despair, yield to the tide. But, to me at least, the story is difficult reading, confused, and not integrated enough to carry over. $2.50

March 3

Downing, J. Hyatt HOPE OF LIVING Putnam

This is a woman's story, where its predecessor *A Prayer for Tomorrow* was the story of young manhood. This is a story of the Dakota prairies, a story of the land, where the earlier book was the story of a mushroom town. *Hope of Living* does not follow the usual pattern of frontier literature, but is essentially the unfolding of the character of a girl, unprepared for life and thrust into marriage with her father's hired man, and of the effect on her of the problem that faced her in the conquest of the prairie, in the coarseness of her husband, in the love of Michael Shea, in the friendship of other men of the prairie. It has the makings of a fine novel, but is not convincing in its portrayal of Anna, whose hardness and level headness makes her an unsympathetic character as the years go over her head. In spite of all the author says to the contrary, her life seems to fall in easy places, for there is little of defeat from unexpected sources, and success comes to her readily. Perhaps that gives it a certain freshness, for some of us have gone stale on the troubles of the homesteader against Dame Nature. Thoroughly readable, but not important. $2.50

March 8

Kaufman, Charles FIESTA IN MANHATTAN Morrow

* Probably not really consequential, but a pleasing, sometimes poignant story of two Mexicans lured to New York by a sensation-seeker American writer, who promises them their dreams. The promises evaporate - they are stranded - they drift into the marihuana racket - they lose each other, almost. New setting for a New York story, this picture of the Mexican group, all misfits, trying to return to a way of life they understand. Nice portraiture of the gentle, superstitious, primitive people, to whom New York is never a home, always a strange world. There is tragedy and comedy in the story; there is distinct originality in a picture of the Spanish quarter of Harlem. A book that those who seek something out of the general run will find good reading. $2.50

March 13

Loring, Peter MISS ROLLING STONE Macrae Smith

Light-headed adventure romance against the background of the Near East today. A girl from Kansas goes out to join her surgeon-uncle, meets an incalculable Englishman and a Arab prince, has plenty of adventure, a bit of mystery, and a romance that turns out well in the end, with the villain making the *beau geste* for love. $2.00

March 23

Hervey, Harry THE DAMNED DON'T CRY Greystone

A flamboyant story of decadence in the old South - Savannah. The girl Zelda, was born in the gas-house district, of whores and drunks, but has herself an innate refinement that strives upward. She has her dreams - but a night of love and passion blasts her hopes, and she bears her child. The doors of hope reopen - again Fate intervenes, and she turns her back, marries for security and raises the child. The story is the story of her revenge on the city - and on the house of her dreams. Hervey is too facile, he never quite succeeds in being as hard-boiled as he pretends, and he goes in for some pretty purple writing, and some mystic-romanticism. Pretty cheap, though glossed over. A sure renter - but not for discriminating readers. $2.50

March 23

Lancaster, Bruce GUNS OF BURGOYNE Stokes

* Here's a good yarn for those who like Kenneth Roberts and Neil Swanson. It centers around the adventures of a Hessian nobleman, forced by circumstances to become a mercentary in the British army, and sent to America with Burgoyne. He is at odds with his fellows because he is humane in his treatment of his men, in his far-sighted appreciation of the reasons for the rebel form of warfare, in his sympathy with the "enemy". He loves - and loses the girl again; he finds her once more and determines to throw in his lot with this country. In the background of Burgoyne's campaign, the events of the march, victory turned to defeat, the life of the mercenaries, the motive power behind the scenes, Lancaster builds an integrated whole that carries vitality and sound interpretation of a little known side of a familiar picture. $2.50

March 24

Ayres, Ruby M. WEEK-END WOMAN Doubleday, Doran

Typical Ayres - dependable rental froth, in the story of a marriage for money, and a bit of by-play on the part of the selfish, spoiled young wife. One of these flirtations lands her in a jam - she finds her true love and loses him - her husband conveniently dies and she rights about face and gets her man. $2.00

March 27

Asch, Sholem SONG OF THE VALLEY Putnam

This should be sold as a frontier story, for it qualifies as such. The mind of the general reading public has not yet accepted the fact of Palestine as a new frontier, a new project in colonization. Asch in writing a first rate story, with adventure, romance and the deep feeling for the project, may help bridge that gap, however. His background is that of an undeveloped swampy valley, and his story the story of converting that valley from desolation to life. A significant picture of what an earnest group of Jews can do - he makes his characters live - and he has drawn two extraordinary personalities in the central figures, one a man who has given eighteen years to Palestine, the other a woman, a Lithuanian, who had gone from group to group, lending her aid and the inspiration of her presence. $2.50

~~April 2~~ May 4

Berne, Victoria TOUCH AND GO Harper

A pleasant tale, with likeable characters, a moral around the edges, intelligent though not important. The story of a widow who breaks the mother-in-law bond, and plans deliberately to have the child she craves. There's an unforeseen complication and several characters working at cross purposes, but she finds a man to love - and marry - and his children fill her needs and that of the wise old woman to whom she had gone at an earlier date. A rather ticklish subject well handled. $2.00

April 11

Lea, Fanny Heaslip NOT FOR JUST AN HOUR Dodd, Mead

She has done better but it is sound enough rental fare, with young love and glamor here and there. Out of the frying pan into the fire for Kit when she marries to escape her courtesan mother. She can't take the hard knocks - divorces - rubs elbows with the world - and finally comes back to Greg and security. $2.00

April 12

Gorki, Maxim A BOOK OF SHORT STORIES Holt

Gorki lives on reputation based on scanty familiarity, and here is a collection of his fifteen finest stories, some of them now available for the first time in English. As edited and arranged, the volume makes an important contribution to understanding of the significance of Gorki's work and the contribution he has made to the art of short story writing. Translation and editing by two editors equally at home in English and Russian. Foreword by Aldous Huxley. $2.75

Vincent, Raymonde BORN OF WOMAN Morrow

This is a *Prix Femina* winner, not, however, destined for a very wide sale this side the Atlantic. It is a rustic idyll, with a certain charm in its simplicity, its serenity. A very genuine piece of writing, but, to be quite honest, it has a quietude almost verging on the tepid, and there is little originality, little drama, little action. The picture of the serenity of peasant life, governed by the round of the seasons. The story, what little there is, has been built up on the author's childhood. $2.50

~~April 17~~ ~~May 15~~ Indefinite BOMW.

Donato, Pietro di CHRIST IN CONCRETE Bobbs Merrill

The short story which served as a springboard for this novel was selected by O'Brien as the best short story of 1938. And that story is the first chapter of the novel, - A grueling but forceful picture of Italian immigrants in a large American city. Paul at twelve is faced with the job of supporting his mother and seven brothers and sisters, after the tragic death of his father, who was a bricklayer. The JOB is the theme of the book, as he learns his father's trade and carries on. Occasional relief in scenes of gaiety, in portrayal of characters, simple, kindly, crude, primitive, unfaltering in their devotion to their God. The style makes the reading difficult at times, for it is turgid, impassioned stream of consciousness, at times brutal and violent, but for the most part genuine. $2.50

RECEIVED TOO LATE FOR REPORT IN JANUARY BULLETINS

February 15

Mordaunt, Elinor PITY OF THE WORLD Greystone

Nice, but limited in sales possibilities, this quiet, sensitive portrayal of a family living in East Africa. Mother and father and two children, one of them an idiot. It is chiefly the story of Sally and her father, of his disintegration, and of the rift that came gradually. Closes with the death of the brother and Sally's marriage. Reticent in handling, with a sense of the country permeating it all. $2.00

Macdonell, A. G. AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A CAD Harper

Satiric English humor in this portrait of a hypocrite par excellence, which carries Edward Percival Fox-Ingleby from his childhood of budding snobbery, to his Eton and Oxford years with their cruel actions, his pre-war career with women, his battle to save his skin during the War, his marriage and the ducks and drakes he played with it, his political achievements. All is told with splendid self righteousness and heavy emphasis on the integrity of his aims. A self made monster, the irony of his blindness to his revolting life is pointed, and, though this harps on a single string, it has moments. $2.50

February 17

Joseph, F. J. AMATEURS IN ARMS Carricks & Evans

In fiction form, an exposé of unlawful proceedings in munition deals, for the Spanish Civil War. A Dane, unsuccessful salesman, teams up with a Hungarian, becomes right-hand man for the son of a German armament maker, opposed to his father's Franco allegiance. They manage to achieve their aim and block the shipments. Story not important except as a disclosure of the various rackets in the trade. Sensational material, presented as fact. $2.50

February 21

Stong, Phil THE HIRED MAN'S ELEPHANT Dodd, Mead

See juvenile supplement for full report of this entertaining yarn of an Iowa town, which might well have a plus sale for adults. There's a bit of romance and a humorous handling of a clash between the lady bountiful and the rest of the town, when a dog and pony show comes to town and an elephant centers the general attention. $2.00

MYSTERIES, WESTERNS AND WESTERNS

February 20

Chambers, Dana SOMEDAY I'LL KILL YOU Dial

Hardboiled school with plenty of touches of the flesh. Combines murder with blackmail, while Steele, the white haired boy, rescues lovely Lisa. Three corpses and your money's worth of action. Entertaining but not grade A. $2.00

February 21

Freeman, R. Austin THE STONEWARE MONKEY Dodd, Mead

Another Dr. Thorndyke, in which he pulls a successful conclusion out of the bag in uncovering the truth about the maker of some modern pottery. Jewel robbery, a murdered policeman, a poisoning, and disposal of a body in a kiln are among the ingredients. You know your Thorndyke fans. $2.00

February 24

Colter, Eli BLOOD ON THE RANGE Dodge

A new angle, but not up to standard Western. Young Hardin, a rancher, finds himself in hot water with the sheriff and local people, due to an enemy and his gang. A mysterious outsider comes to his aid and when the gangster is brought to justice turns out to be his supposedly dead brother. Pass it up. $2.00

Announcing for March 28 or April 4

Buchan, John ADVENTURES OF RICHARD HANNAY Hougton, Mifflin

Three volumes in one:- *The Thirty Nine Steps, Greenmantle, Mr. Standfast.* A trilogy of stories of Intelligence activities during the World War, all using Hannay as central character. This volume should reach a wide audience, if one can credit the constant demands. Particularly important public library item. $2.50

April 7

Oellrichs, Inez THE MAN WHO DIDN'T ANSWER Doubleday, Doran

* New England setting and a milkman as the sleuth, who determines to save his friend from the chair. Every alley is investigated during his daytime sleeping hours, and he learns of a conspiracy of silence and proves his point to police satisfaction. Sound job in sleuthing by an intelligent citizen. $2.00

April 13

Graeme, Bruce THE MYSTERY OF THE STOLEN HATS Lippincott

An English, an American and a French detective work on the disappearance of a well known American, and clues lead them to two murders in France. The French Surete wins on all points - and the officer gets the girl. Easy on the grey matter. $2.00

April 15

Steel, Kurt JUDAS, INC. Little, Brown

* This is meatier than previous Hank Heyer exploits, and the detecting is almost subordinate to the story angle. Heyer is lured out of New York to investigate the death of an ex-tycoon and inventor. He unearths two racketeering organizations working for the same plant, gets completely embroiled in the labor questions currently precipitating strikes, and after several swift plays, manages to pull out the truth. $2.00

April 21

Adams, Frank R. GUNS ~~IN THE DARK~~ Light Ranch Doubleday, Doran

* Adventure, rather than straight Western and a swell yarn of modern times. A bank teller's experiences while evading the law, as O'Malley, through mistaken identity, is forced to fight for a girl and a ranch, is successful and proves his own innocence. Good reading. $2.00

Reilly, Helen DEAD FOR A DUCAT Doubleday, Doran

Well-tailored mystery yarn, involving a grandfather millionaire, his granddaughter who is in love with a lawyer the old man hates, and a family feud. Two murders - and the lawyer under suspicion. Todhunter to the rescue, with the help of the young lawyer determined to clear himself. Nice reading. $2.00

April 28

Grinstead, J. E. FEUD AT SILVER BEND Dodge

Fairish only - a patterned Western with shooting and more shooting. Family feud, at the close of which one of three brothers survives to avenge his brothers. The enemies turn out to be criminals, so it is all to the good. Romance to boot. $2.00

NON-FICTION

MUST BOOKS

Hitler, Adolf — MEIN KAMPF — Reynal & Hitchcock and Stackpole

This is the big sensation of the month, and all eyes are on the legal battle over the two editions. It is not within our province to pass judgment on the case. We simply wish to announce the distinguishing features of the two books, both complete, unabridged editions of the most discussed book in the world today. Reynal & Hitchcock, in conjunction with Houghton, Mifflin, are issuing their translation by Dr. Alvin Johnson, with careful annotations by eminent scholars and publicists. The details are laid forth in the February 4th P.W., including the publishers' statement in regard to the matter of royalties to Germany and profits to the refugees. The promotion plans are also outlined, and the advance sale indicates that it will be possible to back the publication with a tremendous nation-wide advertising campaign. Publication set for early March. *Price $3.00* .... Suit has been brought against Stackpole and due warning issued by Houghton, Mifflin. The fact that no royalties are being paid to Hitler has resulted in a big advance on this Stackpole edition, a translation by Barrows Mussey. Publication scheduled for February 28th. *Price $3.00*

TWO IMPORTANT BOOKS FOR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

March 30

Beals, Carleton — AMERICAN EARTH — Lippincott

* A good rousing book, which, through its popular and rather sensational handling may bring the cause of waste and social injustice to the attention of some who will not read Stuart Chase or Paul Sears. Beals has a faculty for seeing the dramatic and emotional sides, for picking out the highlights. One has a feeling that he has not probed very deep below the surface, but he has been around the country, he has visited share-croppers and tenant farmers and the camps of the migratory workers of the west. His stories of what actually happens are shocking and make us blush that such things can be on this side of the Atlantic. The first two thirds of the book traces the conditions which led to our present problems. He leaves us little to boast of in our conquest of a continent and its primitive people. He discusses the projects under way today, and attacks Secretary Wallace very violently for his mistakes in judgment and in procedure. A book which covers many facets of a vital subject - and a book which the public can and should - and we hope will - read. $3.00

April 18

Tarbell, Ida — ALL IN THE DAY'S WORK — Macmillan

* The name of Ida Tarbell stands for far more than the sales of her books indicate. She has stood courageously for independent and liberal thought and action, she has been fearless in her approach to life. This autobiography is the record of one of our great women leaders, and as such should be read by all interested in women's achievements, by club groups, by anyone who appreciates a straightforward, singularly objective record of a full life. At 80 she is still at work - and she looks back over the record. Her ambition had been to be a biologist, but she needed to support herself, and chance led her into the profession of writing, through working on a Chautauqua publication. Her greatest claim to fame came through her investigation of the Standard Oil Company, and she was the first of the "debunking school" of biographers, not because she was a reformer, but because she wanted the truth. An inspiring book. $3.50

Some Chances For Good Sales In These Titles.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson tells her story in MY MEMOIRS (Bobbs Merrill); WE POINTED THEM NORTH by Abbott & Smith (Farrar & Rinehart) is a hopeful dark horse; GOD'S VALLEY by Willson Whitman (Viking) is the best study of the T V A so far issued. See below for reports.

PROBLEMATICAL BOOKS - *Non-fiction*

March 1

Trevelyan, George Macaulay THE ENGLISH REVOLUTION 1688-1689 Holt

Trevelyan makes the Revolution of 1688-89, which brought William and Mary to the throne of England, the turning point in English social history, when England made the choice between royal absolutism, as expressed by James II and parliamentary government. This Revolution gave ordered and legal freedom, power, a free constritution, a chance for maritime and commercial enterprise. It brought her into parity with France, and launched her on her accession to first world power. This is a purely political and economic study; there is virtually nothing of the social conditions, nothing of the personalities that dominated the stage. An important study for scholars, but not aimed at the general reading public. $2.00

March 2

Mann, George C. BIBLIOGRAPHY ON CONSUMER EDUCATION Harper

This is a reference book which should be available for Parent-Teachers' groups, Federation of Women's Clubs affiliates, etc. Introductory section gives due weight to facts and understanding back of home economics, the evaluation of manufacturing processes, the facts of distribution, social implications of insurance, of installment buying, of banking, of safety education, of government statutes, etc. Then follows a complete bibliography of books, pamphlets, periodical literature, etc., in the fields of consumer economics, information on purchasing, teaching consumer education. Excellent index which adds to its reference value. Public library item. $3.50

Hutton, Graham SURVEY AFTER MUNICH Little, Brown

* A brilliant piece of analysis, but pretty stiff going for the casual reader. First a discussion of the New Danubia, its boundaries, population, communications, strategic factors in the event of war. The second part deals with the economic status of Germany today, with the conclusion that Germany is grossly handicapped by lack of raw materials and capital requirements. Last - politics and powers, the various surrounding countries and their roles, now and future. Conclusion - that if peace is maintained, Germany has profited immeasureably and if she is permitted to continue this policy of acquisition by threat, she may pull through. Only immediate action would invalidate her gains and bring collapse. $2.50

Streit, Clarence K. UNION NOW ✓ N.Y. pub (2.50) Harper

The sub-title defines the book as a proposal for a Federal Union of the Atlantic Democracies. The author argues that democracy has been waning because democracies practice autocracy beyond their frontiers. Nationalism must go! He succeeds in explaining and defending the principle of union formed not against the fascist states, but applying the democratic principle, guaranteeing peace and economic security by welding together those nations of the world that stand for democracy today.

He discusses the idea from the political and economic point of view, supporting his statements about world trade by tables of figures. There is food for thought in this book. It is difficult to read, althought clearly expressed. A book for the student of world affairs and internationalism - for organizations trying to find a way of peace. $3.00

March 13

Wilson, Edith Bolling MY MEMOIR Bobbs Merrill

* A very personal and intimate picture of the people and events in the life of Woodrow Wilson's second wife. Brief background of her childhood and youth, incidental in relation to the whole. Her meeting with the president, their growing friendship, her final acceptance of his declaration of love. Then the second presidential campaign, the War years, the mounting pressure of work, the Peace Conference and the tour abroad studded with royalty, the tragic results and Wilson's illness and retirement. Outspoken impressions and recollections of people, feminine and intimate touches about her clothes and those of famous people, anecdotes - kindly and otherwise - of famous figures, and occasional interpretation of passing events. Primarily, however, a personal record of what she saw, heard and believed, colored by her worship of her husband. A popular approach to a strategic period in world history - behind the scenes in the life of a famous president. The S E P serialization took in only about a third of the whole, so should help the sale of the book. There will be 1001 copies, autographed, with additional illustrative material, special paper, etc. $10.00
Trade edition to have 33 illustrations. $3.50

March 14

Wright, Chester M. HERE COMES LABOR Macmillan

This will be the third publication in *The People's Library*, a group of books launched with the backing of the Adult Education forces, and based on years of study and research as to the needs in that field. This particular volume fills a very real need for a simple, straightforward book on the march of labor in the United States. The writer takes no sides (though one suspects him of being a bit on the side of the A F of L, rather than the C I O). He tells the story with broad sweeps of movements, rather than with dramatic highlights, but he gives one a clearer understanding of the various factors involved, of the reasons behind the present struggle than some of the writers who probe more deeply into fundamental causes. Good Labor primer. $ .50

Note: There will be six Spring publications - as follows:

WHICH WAY AMERICA?, by Lyman Bryson (3/14) HERE COMES LABOR by Chester M. Wright (3/14)

WHO ARE THESE AMERICANS by Paul Sears (3/11) LET ME THINK by H. A. Overstreet (3/28)

THE WAY OUT OF WAR by Raymond G. Swing (3/14) THE ATTRACTIVE HOME by Lydia B. Powel (4/25)

March 15

Davidson, Levette J. & Bostwick, Prudence LITERATURE OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST Caxton

Anthology of source material, drawn from writings dealing with the Rocky Mountain section and written by authors from the district, during the 19th century. A representative collection drawn from over 50 books, with introductory essays which serve as a critical history of the literary activities. Material deals with all phases of life and types of writing, connected with Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Utah, New Mexico. $5.00

Mid-March

Rowe, Kenneth Thorpe WRITE THAT PLAY Funk & Wagnalls

Technique of playwriting from the point of material, essentials for building a play, one act plays, and an analysis of several long plays. Further instructions on characterization and dialog. Critical examination of *The Doll's House*, revision, securing variety in all aspects of the play, flexibility of theatrical conventions today compared with past, importance of theatre, and a chapter on getting a play produced. Examples drawn from plays to illustrate technical points give this practical value for amateur writing groups and educational courses in the drama. $3.00

March ~~15~~ 30

Connolly, James B. NAVY MEN John Day

Connolly probably knows as much about the inner workings of the Navy as any civilian of the past forty years. He was a friend of Theodore Roosevelt's and enlisted by special dispensation as a "gob" to get the viewpoint of the enlisted man. He knows the Navy from wardroom to forecastle. Our expert on things nautical says:- "This book is great stuff for anyone who wants the low-down on the way the Navy works. Very readable, it is a good item to recommend for older boys and for anyone who likes to know what makes the wheels go round." Illustrated by Henry O'Connor. $3.50

Cole, Margaret & Smith Charles,Ed. DEMOCRATIC SWEDEN Greystone

This is an economic, political and social survey of Sweden. The experts write on such subjects as Sweden's constitution, political parties, trade unions, budgets, public works, banking, industry, agriculture, power, wages, cooperatives, world trade, education, etc. This is a good book for library reference shelves, and for people practically interested in Sweden, but it is not in the class with such books as the Marquis Childs' books or Agnes Rothery's. Limited appeal. $3.00

Yates, Helen Eva THE WORLD IS YOUR OYSTER Holt
The Art of Traveling Smartly

Enthusiastic survey of various kinds of travel, in the Americas, Europe, the Orient, around the world; the methods, what different lines have to offer, the advantages of freighters, tourist and luxury classes; bus travel, train and plane. Kinds of drinks and foods to try in different countries. What to buy and what not to buy. How to prevent customs from being a nightmare. How to make yourself travel and the advantages. General coverage, with prices in round figures. Bibliography of books to read. Listing of freight lines, itineraries, passenger space. This does not plan trips, but merely whets the appetite. Not as inspiring a book as Helen Fish's *Invitation to Travel*, but a very useful item. $1.75

~~March 20~~ 4/3

Caldwell, Erskine & Bourke-White, Margaret NORTH OF THE DANUBE Viking

This is more than a photographic book with captions. It is a travel book with social significance in the selection of impressions of various parts of Czechoslovakia, with a superficial evidence of serenity, and an underlying revelation of what the people are thinking and feeling. Definitely a book of people and not things. Beautifully written and superbly illustrated with 54 photographs. $3.00

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Abbott, E.C. & Smith, Helena H. WE POINTED THEM NORTH Farrar & Rinehart

* The recollections of a cowpuncher, and kept, very successfully, in the spirit of the man who told his story. From a crazy youth with hooligan spirits, to driving cattle from Texas to Montana, working for various outfits, never knowing a "decent" woman, in and out of hot water - and the troubles in securing the girl he wanted to marry. Filled with yarns of Indians, cowboys, drinking, wenching, riding herd - details of the life and background he loved. Darn good authentic Western material, disarming in its simplicity, and with a note of authenticity to those who know what he is talking about. Grand reading. $3.00

~~March 24~~ April 7

Alsop, Joseph & Kintner, Robert MEN AROUND THE PRESIDENT Doubleday, Doran

A brief book by two popular and perceptive columnists on current affairs in Washington. This is a discussion of the leaders of the New Deal, starting with the Brain Trust, tracing uncoordinated beginnings, the tightening of the group, the concerted action of the last two years. Due credit for a remarkable administrative job, but frank facing of the dangers of "palace politics" in too close personal alliance. ~~$1.50~~ 1.25

March 27

Ross, Malcolm DEATH OF A YALE MAN Farrar & Rinehart

This is not autobiography in the ordinary sense, for rather is it the inner conflict between conservatism, the acceptance of the orthodox viewpoint - and an itch for knowing life at first hand and sharing Labor's problems on their own ground. Hotchkiss - Yale - Wall Street - white collar jobs - reporting - and then first hand experience in oil fields and copper and coal mines brought him into alliance with Labor, and a place on the N.L.R.B. Good journalese - fast paced - racy - definitely a man's book. The last half is definitely Labor's story, through specific strikes, etc. $2.50

Whitman, Willson GOD'S VALLEY Viking

* An excellent study of the history, the people and project of the T.V.A. The author is definitely enthusiastic in approach, and sees sympathetically the varying viewpoints of Morgan and his former associates. She traces the steps of progress, by which a backward people have been brought to an awareness of modern social ideals; she follows the handling of various problems of management of water, soil erosion, health, soil conditions, education, etc. She faces the dangers of politics without and within, but feels that fundamentally they are external to the actual workings of the T.V.A. A book which should help to greater understanding of the social factors. Illustrated. $3.00

March 30

Ferguson, De Lancey PRIDE AND PASSION Oxford

A study of Burns through his everyday life and phases of activity. Through actual source material, Burns speaks for himself, with little author comment. Background, development, relationships with men and women, his livelihood, his songs, and the true man, a Scot, in religion, politics, patriotism. He emerges as a realistic son of the soil, imaginative, witty, proud. A mature, incisive biography for scholars. $3.00

March 30

Green, Lawrence THE ERA OF WONDERFUL NONSENSE Bobbs Merrill

The years 1918 to 1933 and the newspaper sensations of the period, real and manufactured. Quotes from papers the country over on such matters as Sergeant York, the Boston Strike, Ponzi, motion picture scandals, *Abie's Irish Rose*, the K K K, Leopold and Loeb, Queen Marie, Aimee Semple Mac Pherson, Lindbergh, Bobby Jones, Starr Faithful, the Hall Mills case, etc. etc. A sort of highspotting *Only Yesterday* without the penetrating commentary. Makes good reading as a memory check on our eccentricities. $3.00

April 1

Cooper, Courtney Ryley DESIGNS IN SCARLET Little, Brown

A first class job, once more, in making the country conscious of the wholesale "flesh peddling" racketeering, with its allied industries, dope, arson, blackmail, etc. The F.B.I. has supplied much of the information, and other organizations, governmental and social, have done their part, in revealing the morasses of crime and juvenile delinquencies. Increase all along the line is revealed. Story after story supplies sordid details:- dine and dance places, tourist camp racket, "Are You Lonely?" organizations, murder by mail propaganda, whorehouses, pimps, perversions. Petty bootleggers of the past have gone into commercialization of sex, and active legislation is vitally needed. An angry book, a shocking book - but authentic and important. $2.75

April 4

Coffin, Robert P. Tristram COLLECTED POEMS Macmillan

A selection of poems from his eight published volumes, in addition to about forty poems not previously published. There is a folk quality to Mr. Coffin's verse that gives him a distinctive place in American literature. Portrait frontispiece. $3.50

White, Wendell THE PSYCHOLOGY OF MAKING LIFE INTERESTING Macmillan

Not an exercise book like Schauffler's *Enjoy Living*, but general advice on the technique of acquiring variety in speech, ideas, social and business associations, and of enlarging personal life through hobbies, interest in people, recreation, etc., and of preventing boredom and morbid thinking. A practical layman's book. $2.50

April 5

Schweitzer, Albert AFRICAN NOTEBOOK Holt

The author of *The Forest Hospital at Lambarene* and *Out of My Life and Thought* was a doctor-missionary for many years in equatorial Africa. He writes simply and unaffectedly of various aspects of his life there. It is a notebook - jottings in paragraph form on all and sundry - little stories and anecdotes - the country, conditions today and long ago, natives and their customs, taboos and magic, scenes in the hospital, and many nice bits about the primitive folk. Interesting reading, but of slight general appeal except as suggested in the religious book supplement, report on page 85. $2.00

April 25

Johnson, Gerald W. AMERICA'S SILVER AGE Harper
The Statecraft of Clay, Webster and Calhoun

Clay, Calhoun and Webster, a trio the like of which has rarely been known, powers in their individual ways and collectively swaying the affairs of the nation at a critical period, that leading up to the Civil War. At times they were swayed by true patriotism, at times they were sincere diplomats; at other times, they were merely cheap politicians, with one common goal, the White House, which none of them attained. The picture of Clay is the most interesting, showing his many sidedness; that of Webster somewhat shadowy and unreal; of Calhoun clear cut and interesting. Not top notch, but useful. These glimpses of Jackson suggest the source of his power. $3.50 ✓

April 11

Murdock, Kenneth B. THE SUN AT NOON Macmillan

Three biographical sketches, all against an Oxfordshire setting of the 17th century. Elizabeth Cary breaking from the traditions of her class by turning Roman Catholic; her son Lucius Cary, who left his studies to aid his king; and Wilmot, Earl of Rochester, whose life was a rake's progress until his conversion at the close. Intended to exemplify current application to modern problem of faith and reason. Careful research job, retains some of the color of the period. Very limited appeal. $3.00

April ~~13~~ 20

Jackson, J. Hampden A SHORT HISTORY OF THE WORLD SINCE 1918 Little, Brown

A 500-page digest of post-war history means more today than when it was first published in 1935 (primarily for England). The United States has become world conscious. A brief survey of what has happened in the countries involved in today's crisis is valuable as a background for better understanding, and is not elsewhere available in so concise and readily accessible a form. Readable, simple enough for the man in the street, it should reach a wide general public, and find a plus sale for schools and colleges. The angle is liberal, and sufficiently objective so that blame, where it is due, is not spared, but where controversial facts are presented in such a way that the reader may draw his own conclusions. The author defines the period as one in which "the crippled nations threw the body politic of Europe out of joint" and the backward nations continued the revolt begun before the World War. A final chapter, not available at this moment, will include last minute situations. $3.00

Phelps, William Lyon AUTOBIOGRAPHY WITH LETTERS Oxford

* Yale's most beloved professor, a man who has won popularity wherever his teaching and lecturing and world contacts have taken him, tells his life story with the same simple sincerity and almost naive enjoyment that one senses in talking with him, or hearing him speak. The text of the book might well be this:- "I have found life good". Teacher, lecturer, writer, traveller - each aspect of his experience was filled with the joy of doing, the joy of human relations, and in his book he makes the most of it. Sports, too, found enthusiastic advocacy and participation. The drama seems even more of a passion than books. His is not so much a selective faculty as an appreciative one. Some of the book consists of the letters from notables, men and women, both sides of the Atlantic, - Barrie, St. John Ervine, Galsworthy, etc. Not a memorable autobiography from the literary standpoint, but from the human - the story of a man beloved. Market - his lecture audiences everywhere. $3.75

April 26

Jordan, Philip THERE IS NO RETURN Harper

This is not a routine journalist's book, either in context or style. It is written in vivid, rhythmic prose, with an aesthetic quality one would not expect from a diplomatic and war correspondent. An Englishman, he took journeys near and far, ranging from days of the past, with the Sacco Vanzetti case and his early journalistic experiences to German munitioneering in Africa, the revolt against Franco at Tetuan, the Spanish Basque country today, the peasant and the man in the street and so on. Interviews - essays - random reminiscences - sheer description. None of the dare-devil and scoop school of journalism, but an interpretative, impressionistic account of varied things. ~~$2.75~~ 3.00 ✓

Jorgenson, Theodore & Solum, Nora O. OLE EDVART ROLVAAG 4-18 Harper

A painstaking, scholarly job, which might possibly have a sale among Scandinavian-Americans, but assuredly will not be read to any extent by the general populace, nor in demand at public libraries. It is an exhaustive (and exhausting) study of the author of *Giants in the Earth*, the man and his work. It is a cold portrait, with but few glimpses of his personal life. The analysis of his writings might be of value to students of Scandinavian literature. Very limited. $4.00

Announcing for April 20

Shepardson, Whitney & Scroggs, William O. THE UNITED STATES IN WORLD AFFAIRS 1938 Harper

This annual has taken a definite place and the 1938 volume should be of special interest and value. $3.00

April 26

Miller, Alphonse B. THADDEUS STEVENS Harper

A strong man and hard fighter, Stevens was feared for his unswerving championship of the causes he believed in, abolition, emancipation of slaves, use of paper money as legal tender, army and navy appropriations, etc. He is, perhaps, best remembered for his unflinching determination to apply stringent discipline to the South in Reconstruction Days, and for the impeachment of Johnson. He came from Vermont, and partook of its granite qualities; he was a fighter throughout his career as lawyer in Pennsylvania, in politics in the House. He had few friends but his integrity was never questioned even by his enemies. Sardonic humor, merciless to his opponents, active in his nation's cause - he was a power up to his death. Due space is given to the scandals that accrued to his name and fame, but he emerges as a figure of American rugged individualism in the hands of a biographer to whom he is a hero. ~~$3.50~~ 4.00 ✓

Announcing for April 21

Morgan, Ann H. FIELD BOOK OF ANIMAL LIFE IN WINTER Putnam

A new addition to Putnam's excellent Field Books series. A guide to those interested in animal life during the months when there are few surface indications of what is going on. Illustrated with photographs, drawings, four color plates. $3.50

April 27

Whitman, Armitage, M.D. FROM HEAD TO FOOT Farrar & Rinehart

A medical book in layman's terms, but not for the doctor-glamor market. A book on orthopedics by an orthopedist - on the instructive not the entertaining side. Posture, feet, bowlegs and knock knees, curvature of the spine, congenital deformities, fractures, inflammation of the bones, joint injuries, tuberculosis of the bones. Light treatment. Social service, workmen's compensation, work with veterans. Each topic discussed fully, causes, treatment, dismissing popular bogies and misconceptions, with illustrations from the doctor's cases. $2.50

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Schlesinger, Arthur M. Jr. ORESTES A BROWNSON Little, Brown

A man forgotten - who 50 years ago was constantly on the battlefields of religion, philosophy, social science, politics, his weapons a trenchant pen and a ready flow of oratory. He was a stormy petrel - his range was astonishing - he was eternally restless due to unabating search for truth. New England - raised with the idea of going into the ministry - sidetracked into teaching - always seeking his place in the spiritual world, and ending up as a Roman Catholic. He founded the Boston Quarterly Review for the sake of disseminating his views. In addition to religion, his interests extended themselves to social questions, philosophy, etc., and was a vital part of the intellectual awakening of *The Flowering of New England*. In politics he was equally a chameleon, - a radical but against abolition, a democrat, later a conservative. For thirty years his review covered the whole intellectual field. But his influence waned rapidly. The book is very specialized, and has a limited appeal. It is objectively written, but contains many rather abstract disquisitions. $2.50

Jordan, Emil AMERICANS Norton

The Americans in this book go back to the dawn of history and the coming of man. Here are the mound builders, the Mayans, the Incas, the Aztecs; here the American Indians and the Eskimos. These early chapters are filled with human interest stories, strange customs, strange ideas of beauty, communistic societies, totalitarian states. Then come the white men, Spaniards, Dutch, French, English, German, Italians, Irishmen. The book is entertaining and readable although the white man emerges with a black eye. An interesting background for American history, well humanized. $3.50

Announcing for late April

Kallet, Arthur & Schlink, F.J. 100,000,000 GUINEA PIGS Vanguard

New, enlarged edition, containing supplementary chapters concerning the fight for better laws, new products that come under the hammer, and some data regarding liquor and the advertising thereof. $2.50

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Stein, Gertrude PICASSO Scribner

More Stein than Picasso, but for the most part less chaotic than one would expect, with less backtracking. Perhaps her friendship for the artist outweighs her critical evaluation - for she doesn't go far in analyzing his artistic vision or achievements. Each step in his evolution is illustrated with good reproductions of his work, but it does not contribute much from a critical angle. $3.00

Barnes, A.C. & de Mazia,V. THE ART OF CEZANNE Harcourt, Brace

Technical discussion of form, classical derivations, pattern, line, space, composition, technique, with a short chapter on his life and personality and his influence on contemporary painting. There are 171 illustrations, including details from his painting, referred to throughout the text. Analyses of catalogue data. $5.00

Duhamel, Georges IN DEFENSE OF LETTERS Greystone

The author of the *Pasquier Chronicles* and editor of the *Mercure de France* contributes some essays on literature today. The first part is devoted to the stagnation of the book world, in face of competition of movies and radio, and a discussion of advertising, lending libraries, etc., from the cultural rather than the commercial angles. Secondly - on masters and oracles in literature, on success, genius., models, the role of politics in literature. Third - notes on narration and story telling. Last - a discussion of classical tradition, disciples, clarity and moderation. Duhamel is old school in his essentially humanistic viewpoint on books. Limited market. $2.75

Porter, Sylvia F. HOW TO MAKE MONEY IN GOVERNMENT BONDS Harper

The author gives a comprehensive picture of government financing and shows how legislation controls the price of securities. She describes in great detail how and when to get in and out of long term bonds and short term securities at a profit. By charting the past movements in governments, she predicts the trend of the next four years. For anyone interested in the delicate operation of government financing, this is a worthwhile book, and astonishingly easy to read. The author is financial editor of the New York Evening Post - and at *twenty-five*, she must be a wizard! $3.00

February 20

Pinkerton, Kathrene WILDERNESS WIFE Carrick & Evans

Five years in the Canadian woods, starting from scratch. Doctor's orders - outside living, so they canoe around until they find a place to build. The husband writes, the wife learns about adaptation to the life of the wilds. As the money situation fluctuates, the house grows. They board a dog team, take out hunters, prepare for a baby, and bring her back to the cabin at six weeks. Success in the literary market gives them security and they leave. Details of daily life, the animals wild and tame, the store, friendship with the Indians - good reading of the pioneer type. Illustrated with photographs. $2.75

February 23

Macdougall, Michael & Furnas, J. C. GAMBLERS DON'T GAMBLE Greystone

MacDougall, magician and card detective on the side, tells of years of tracking down crooks and phony devices and manipulations in every sort of gambling field, down through the gambler's stock in trade. Anecdotes of various experiences, and it makes good reading, if one is interested in the subject. $2.00

Dodd, Martha THROUGH EMBASSY EYES Harcourt, Brace

Her father appointed Ambassador to Germany, the writing member of the family, Martha Dodd, went over with him, her mother and brothers, not realizing how Nazi rule would affect their lives. At the start, they were fairly pro-Nazi, but they ran into situations that demanded a reorganization of their thinking and ideas, an adaptation

to the supervision that haunted them. The author got to know those in high places, heard plenty of gossip and reports her conclusion about Nazi leaders, foreign correspondents, the diplomatic corps, terrorism and torture as practised by the Nazi regime, the Jewish persecution, etc. Her trip to Russia made Germany even more unpleasant and by the end of four and a half years in Berlin they were all glad to come home. Growing anger at Nazi rule marks the stay in Germany, and she does not mince words in discussing personalities within her ken. Popular in appeal, and from the position of a member of the Embassy family, authentic. Easy reading. Illustrated. $3.00

February 27

Metcalf, Lt. Col Clyde H. A HISTORY OF THE U.S. MARINE CORPS Putnam

This rounds out an excellent collection of histories of the three branches of the armed services of the United States - all published by Putnam. (*History of the U. S. Navy* by Capt. Dudley W. Knox - $5.00 and *The U.S. Army in War and Peace* by Col. Oliver Spaulding - $5.00). The Marine Corps, of the three branches of the service, has always had a colorful career, and as a landing force, has participated in many a scrap. Col. Metcalf is chief of the historical section of the corps and has done a sound workmanlike job. E. S. McCawley, reporting on this book, says: "To me the book lacked the drama of Fletcher Pratt's *The Navy* (Doubleday). It is much more on the factual side and not so popular in approach or style. However, it is the best comprehensive book on the corps today and as such should be on the must book reference shelf on naval books." 24 illustrations and maps. $4.50

Slocum, Rosalie & Todd, Ann A KEY TO NEW YORK Harper & Modern Age

Covers all aspects of the city, indicating *musts* to see and dividing material in age groupings for children. The wonders of New York, museums, permanent exhibits, architecture, parks, libraries, sightseeing by various means, foreign sections, playgrounds, recreation centers, places to go swimming, fishing, tennis, golf, etc. The World's Fair general line-up, Helps for parents. Factual - how to do it, how to get around, how to find what you want. Includes Brooklyn, Staten Island and Bronx points of interest. Good guide book - World's Fair item. Illustrated with maps and sketches. Cloth edition - $2.00. (Paper bound edition issued simultaneously by Modern Age $ .95

Thornton, Henry & Freda HOW TO ACHIEVE SEX HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE Vanguard

Very much to the point, in an outspoken book on sex, pre-eminently practical and with little of the floweriness one usually finds. All phases of sexual adjustment and maladjustment covered, psychological and physiological; the amenities which lead to better understanding, various methods of maintaining a fresh relationship. Comprehensive, covering all phases, dismissing popular fallacies, etc. There are no do's and don'ts on the whole. A really healthy approach and a liberal one. Includes an excellent bibliography. $2.00

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Hart, Liddell - THE WAR IN OUTLINE. Concise history of World War, with full text, maps, etc., of the original edition. $ .95

Stone, Irving - LUST FOR LIFE. Novel based on life of Van Gogh. $ .95

Dos Passos, John - U. S. A. *Includes 42 Parallel, Nineteen Nineteen, The Big Money.* $1.25

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Angus, S. ESSENTIAL CHRISTIANITY Macmillan

The universality of Christianity is shown by this book from the other side of the world. An author from St. Andrews College in the University of Sydney writes on the essentials and we find both the need and the answer in Australia about the same as in Princeton, Yale or Oxford. It is written with a clear cut sincerity that is both helpful and convincing, modern in language and approach yet first century in its simple, evangelical note. No furbelows but the essentials. A good book for those who abhor the complicated systems many churches have built up but would be interested in the kind of life that Jesus came to bring to men. $2.00

Bernhart, Joseph THE VATICAN AS A WORLD POWER Longmans, Green

One of the most amazing stories we've read, a state that has endured since about 57 A.D. with a continuous history of its rulers, subjects, organization and business. Everyone whether Roman Catholic, Anglo Catholic or Protestant will find this book as fascinating as it is informative for it is not just the history of the Vatican but of the world as the two grew side by side. Many questions are answered, criticisms silenced and whether the reader approves or disapproves he will be a better informed and fairer critic for having read it. It is almost required reading for the person who senses the critical situation we are facing and looks to the Vatican for help as the psalmists looked to the hills. With the death of the Pope, the situation is fraught with dangers and problems, which give this book a timely interest and plus sales value. $4.00

Farmer, Herbert H. THE HEALING CROSS Scribner

* Clergymen will literally grab this book. Besides being on the lookout for new ideas and ways of presenting the Cross they also want books which answer the questions asked by their parishioners who cannot see why the Cross means suffering. Dr. Farmer presents no watered down message but adheres to St. Paul's preaching "Behold the Goodness and Severity of God." The Cross is a crown, implying conquest and victory, a price paid, a virile Cross associated with suffering but bringing healing and encouragement to those who keep the faith. A logical, intelligent book for anyone who would understand more of the law and order of the greatest mystery on earth. While an ideal Lenten item this book should be stocked at all times as it is a fine book for anyone in trouble or sorrow, for contemplation or study. $2.50

Hopwood, P. G. S. A TESTAMENT OF FAITH Macmillan

Fifth in a series on the Great Issues of Life edited by Rufus M. Jones. Professor Hopwood upholds the high standard set in the previous volumes and builds up a logical case for faith starting with the criticism that we have created God by autosuggestion from a sense of need. If we have done that, he answers, so has the artist built his faith in Beauty, the chemist his in Science, etc. Sound reasoning, intelligent arguments and a firm faith provide excellent material. $2.00

James, Powhatan W. GEORGE W. TRUETT, *A Biography* Macmillan

If there is no age limit on the presidency this is the man to raise the national debt. A North Carolina mountain boy who inherited a flare for persuasive preaching and a Baptist zeal for souls from his grandfather and uncle, George Truett was a credit to his devout mother and industrious father. He worked hard on the farm, as a small school principal, was converted and followed wherever God guided him, turned down an offer of a college education to go to Texas and was literally forced into the ministry by the congregation of the church instead of the law which he wanted to pursue. A fascinating biography of a man of rare charm, great natural ability, brilliant intellect who, though over seventy, is still an example of what God can do by, for, in and through one individual wholly consecrated to Him. Good Lenten reading for any denomination that wants to be pulled out of the rut and stirred to effort. (3/7) $2.50

Page, Kirby RELIGIOUS RESOURCES FOR PERSONAL LIVING AND SOCIAL ACTION Farrar & Rinehart

To the college student of the past twenty years religious organizations and social agencies the name of Kirby Page is familiar, in fact, it is almost synonymous with his subject, War and Peace. Around the world he has gone preaching peace not as a vision but a feasible actuality, studying the causes of war. Here he says in no uncertain terms that the two popular schools today, the personal religionists and the social gospelites, must unite. In other words individuals must be converted but they must then go out not just to convert others but to fight social, national and international evils until they too are changed. Part two is given over to daily readings for fourteen weeks, part three to outlines for these weekly discussion groups and part four to worship services. Every city boasts a Peace Club or group working toward that end, Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., and Young People's organizations with various parishes. These along with women's clubs, schools and colleges will find this an excellent and practical text book on a timely topic. $2.00

Sperry, Willard L. STRANGERS AND PILGRIMS Little, Brown

Excellent Lenten fare. In this busy world bustle so often passes for belief that it is refreshing to hear a brilliant scholar, Dean of the Harvard Divinity School, suggest that we come apart with only our Christian Experience as equipment and study with him the devotional works of six great mystics. Not Llamas in far off Tibet, but men who walked among their fellow men, who lived to serve and love them and men who knew the secret of a single heart, a life of complete surrender yet men who had also experienced the temptations of life. Dean Sperry's studies will be a fascinating introduction. Taken slowly one a week with a bit of the actual books as devotional reading each day these saints will captivate the reader and offer a profitable Lent. Nothing could provide better material for a Lenten course, series of sermons or as studies before an hour of meditation. Suggest this book to laymen and clergy for both author and subject are important to the Lenten picture. And all through the year keep it on your shelves as there is a leaning toward the mystical in many denominations now. (3/4) $2.50

Schweitzer, Albert CHRISTIANITY AND THE RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD Holt

The author of this book is one of the rare spirits of today. This gives greater significance to anything he writes. As a medical missionary, he has spent most of his life in Central Africa, and that story he has told elsewhere (see report on page 77 - AFRICAN NOTEBOOK.) He has tested Christianity in "the nick of the battle of ideas", as he puts it, and found it adequate. This book is the result and should be valuable for use with intellectual doubters, honest seekers, medical men, artists, musicians - for Dr. Schweitzer belongs in many groups. Add to Lenten recommendations. (3/15) $1.25

NOTE

If you have not already made a list of recommended books for Lenten reading, you can still ring up local clergymen, call their attention to the fact that you have data on hand and books for them to examine. Then give them your two Lenten supplements to scan and the books you have stocked to examine. You might even dig out of last year's bulletins, the pages on Religious Books.

GARDEN BOOKS

Garden Week, March 5th to 11th, has been written up in two issues of P.W., - January 7th and January 28th. The plans include prizes for displays submitted by booksellers, contests for Garden Club arrangements, etc. Posters in 4 colors, will be ready for mailing, February 15th. Unfortunately, few of the Spring garden books are ready for examination, so the March 1st issue will be our first Garden Book Supplement.

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SPRING JUVENILE SUPPLEMENT - No. 2

FOR THE PICTURE BOOK AGE

Allen, Marie Louise — A POCKETFUL OF RHYMES — Harper

Gay, friendly rhymes about everyday things that children do, illustrated by photographs. The sort of verse content and form evolved by nursery school children and should appeal to tiny tots. Author a nursery school teacher, Western Reserve. (3/23) ✓ $1.25 ✓

Coats, Alice M. — THE STORY OF HORACE — Coward, McCann

* Thoroughly funny picture book with caption copy. Horace is an old folk tale - now in book form for the first time. One by one Horace, the lion, devoured the whole family. (3/17) $1.~~75~~ 50

Evers, Helen & Alf — FRANKIE — Rand, McNally

A humorous story about a little brown dog who belonged to a butcher. His owner was distressed because he wagged his tail all the time. Simple little story with amusing illustrations. (2/7) $ .50

Francoise — MR. AND MRS. SO AND SO — Oxford

Picture book with captions. Darling illustrations with an amusing story of a couple who go abroad and return with a donkey. (3/2) $1.50

GRADUATING TO PICTURE STORY BOOKS

Newberry, Clare Turlay — HERBERT THE LION — Harper

Herbert the Lion is back - the first book by the author-artist of the popular *Mittens* and *Barkis*. New format, enlarged story and more pictures. Amusing story of a little girl and her friendly lion. (3/2) $2.00

d'Aulaire, Ingri & Edgar Parin — ABRAHAM LINCOLN — Doubleday, Doran

* A very human story of Lincoln from his early childhood in the wilderness of Kentucky until he brings his country through the Civil War. Text is skillfully handled; fully illustrated in colored lithographs and in black and white. A companion book to the authors' *George Washington*. (Late 2/39) JLG April $2.00

FIRST STEPS IN READING - *Story Books*

Haywood, Carolyn — "B" IS FOR BETSY — Harcourt, Brace

A story of a child's first year at school. She is unhappy the first day, but quickly finds a friend. The high spots of the whole year are covered and in the summer Betsy goes to a farm for her vacation. Pleasant story of everyday life. (3/5) $2.00

Johnson, Margaret S. & Helen Lossing — THE STORY OF RICKEY — Harcourt, Brace

An amusing picture-story book of an Airedale puppy on a farm. He chases chickens, he chases cows, tries to climb an apple tree and gets into all sorts of mischief before he learns to be a good watch dog. (2/15) $1.75

BOOKS TO READ ALOUD

Olcott, Virginia — THE WORLD'S CHILDREN *Series* - REPRINTS — Vanguard

OLAF AND ANE (Norway
KLAAS AND JANSJE (Holland)
KARL AND GRETEL (Germany)

Formerly published for school use by Silver, Burdett. Now available for trade. Good factual stories, illustrated in color and in line. (February) Ea. $1.50

Adshead, Gladys — SOMETHING SURPRISING — Oxford

A straightforward, well written story of the earth millions and millions of years ago. Prehistoric fishes, animals and man are described. Very good. (3/15) $1.00

Bechdolt, Jack — ROSCOE — Oxford

* A very funny story that will delight children. Roscoe takes his sister to the zoo. He is on his way to inspect the baby panda, but his attention is diverted by a lion fight. After he returns home, chaos reigns when it is discovered that the perambulator contains the baby panda - and not Prue. Slap stick comedy. (3/2) $1.00

Machetanz, Frederick — PANUCK, ESKIMO SLED DOG — Scribner

Panuck was an Alaskan sled dog and he and his young master, Andy, lived near the Bering Sea. When they go on their first mushing trip, Andy's father is hurt, and Andy and Panuck go for aid. Panuck carries them safely through a blizzard, and the boy and the dog are proclaimed real "trail eaters." Good adventure story. (3/5) $1.50

STORY BOOKS FOR THE 9 - 12's

Barne, Kitty — SHE SHALL HAVE MUSIC — Dodd, Mead

* A very good story - entertaining, amusing and a new type of heroine. Karen, the youngest of four Irish children, discovers a piano at the age of eight. But her mother is poor and there is no money for lessons or a piano. Biddy, the family prop, solves this problem by gaining permission for Karen to practice on an old worn-out parish piano. Karen is mistaught before she is taught, and the "festival" where she trots out all her airs and furbelows is a distressing but humorous scene. Lively family story with splendid illustrations. (3/7) $2.00

Dalgleish, Alice — THE YOUNG AUNTS — Scribner

* A very amusing, human story of Terry and Chris, twins, who almost spoil their sister's wedding by trying to make their hair look alike. Later they are thrilled to become aunts and take a great interest in the new baby. Dialogue, squabbles and reactions are very natural. Sure to appeal to "young ladies" of this age. (3/13) $1.75

STORY BOOKS FOR THE 9 - 12's (cont'd.)

Coatsworth, Elizabeth FIVE BUSHEL FARM Macmillan

A well written, interesting story of Andrew who lives first with one family and then another because his father's ship is long overdue. After many months his father finds him, and marries Miss Deborah who has taken care of him. They settle down on Five Bushel Farm. Pleasant story of a little boy of an age gone by. Lovely illustrations. (3/14) $2.00

Hayes, Marjorie THE LITTLE HOUSE ON RUNNERS Little, Brown

Story of a little boy and girl who lived in Boston a hundred years ago. Charles, Lottie, their father, Mr. Brewster, and Candy, a colored girl had traveled over the country in a house on wheels while Mr. Brewster sold goods. Their winter in Boston captures the spirit of the city of that day - the children know the Hales, Mr. Holmes, the Alcotts including the baby Louisa. They see the first railroad, meet the President, Mr. Jackson, and help a runaway slave across the border into Canada. (3/1) $2.00

Hogner, Dorothy Childs OLD HANK WEATHERBY Oxford

Old Hank and his wife, Henrietta, lived on a farm in New England. Hank was very clumsy and absent-minded, but one day his absent-mindedness was rewarded when he trapped a bank robber and was elected sheriff. Amusing, rural story. (3/15) $1.50

Whitnall, Harold O. HUNTER OF THE CAVERNS Crowell

An interesting story of Kut, a little Cromagnon boy, giving the customs of these early people. Kut becomes a mighty hunter and goes on rabbit, bison, reindeer and mammoth hunts. But he is also an artist and is chosen by the inner circle to draw and paint in the mysterious cave. (2/28) $1.50

FACT BOOKS FOR THE 9 - 12's

Bufano, Remo MAGIC STRINGS Macmillan

A collection of stories written in play form suitable for marionette shows. Some of the stories are original and some are old favorites such as *Hansel and Gretel* and parts of Aesop's fables. (3/14) $1.50

King, Eleanor & Pessels, Wellmer GARDEN CREATURES Harper

* Uniform with *Insect People*, and supplementing that excellent first nature book with other insects, snakes, toads, worms, etc. The sort of book a child could use as a handbook for nature study, illustrated with fascinating photographs. (~~3/2~~ 4-13) $1.25

Pryor, William & Helen S. WATER - WEALTH OR WASTE Harcourt, Brace

An interesting story of water, how in some cases it has proved an enemy to man, how in many more cases it is our friend and how life without it would be impossible. The books tells the history of water from early ages to the present time. The great irrigation systems of today are but an elaboration of the same principles practiced by the early Egyptians and Chinese. The effects of water on plants, animals and fish. The dangers and control of floods. The book is written in a pleasant, readable style with a few anecdotes to punctuate the pace. A definite step forward for the Pryors. Illustrated by photographs. (2/15) $2.50

FOR THE 12 to 15 YEAR OLDS - *Fiction*

Allen, Adam PRINTER'S DEVIL Macmillan

Bob gets a job in a newspaper office for the summer. He learns a lot about the inside workings of a printing establishment and becomes a cub reporter. The paper sponsors a baseball league and Bob gets his chance. Practical vocational hints for boys with printer's ink in their veins, and enough baseball for the others. (3/7)$1.75

Hewes, Agnes Danforth THE SWORD OF ROLAND ARNOT Houghton, Mifflin

Philippe, son of the Frankish trader Roland Arnot, is held back from revenge on the desert bandits - the Bedaween - who have looted and destroyed an incoming shipment because Arnot will not pay the traditional tribute. Philippe learns the desert dwellers have justice on their side, loses the family heirloom, a sword from the crusades, and finally, traveling with the caravan, is kidnapped by the Ruwallas, where he sees them fight an enemy tribe with their sacred symbol used in the battle, saves the chief's daughter and escapes back to Damascus, where he finds the Chief's son, and discovers his family's sword is the twin of the Chief's - and sees his father and the Chief arrive at a friendly pact. Damascus of the 15th century a pivot for world trade and a boy's plausible adventures there. Well done. (3/~~14~~ 28) $2.50

Hull, Katherine & Whitlock, Pamela ESCAPE TO PERSIA Macmillan

A sequel to *The Far Distant Oxus*, but stands alone. The Huntley children wager themselves back to Exmoor and join their friends in a lively, adventurous vacation. The mysterious identity of Maurice is almost revealed. Good story interest. (3/7) $2.00

Manning-Sanders, Ruth ADVENTURE MAY BE ANYWHERE Stokes

Four cousins spend a gay, hilarious summer on the Cornish coast. One of the four tells their adventures. They are lively and exciting, dangerous, heroic. Some are old stand-bys but the author has succeeded in giving them a new twist. The children visit the gypsies to rescue their donkey and when they return home, discover they have stolen the gypsies' animal. Well written and good entertainment. (3/2) $1.75

Stong, Phil THE HIRED MAN'S ELEPHANT Dodd, Mead

* A very entertaining yarn. Iowan town and clash between the lady bountiful and the rest of the community which comes to a head when a "dog and pony" show (minus the pony) comes to town. Sentimental, old style, a bit of romance, two small boys who shine by reflected glory for the elephant living in their barn. (2/21) $2.00

FOR THE 12 to 15's - *Non-fiction*

Judson, Clara I. PIONEER GIRL: *The Early Life of Frances Willard* Rand, McNally

The first of a series of books about the life of Frances Willard. At the age of seven she drove with her pioneering family from Ohio to Wisconsin in 1845. Even as a child, the young Frances broke precedents - demanded to be called Frank, demanded schooling, proved she should be allowed to ride a horse by riding a cow and at eighteen won her father's respect by announcing that from then on she would make her own decisions. These early years are told in story form and Frances might have been any little pioneer girl. Well done. (2/8) $.50

Keliher, Alice V., editor AIR WORKERS Harper

A factual account of vocations connected with airplanes for both men and women. Photographs, charts and diagrams on every page. ~~(3/23)~~ 4-13 $1.00

FIFTEEN AND UP - *Non-fiction*

The Barnes Dollar Sports Library — Barnes

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Jessee, Daniel E.	BASEBALL
Murphy, Charles C.	BASKET BALL
Conger, Ray	TRACK AND FIELD
Phillips, Bernath E.	FUNDAMENTAL HANDBALL
Reichert, Natale & Keasy, Gilman	MODERN METHODS IN ARCHERY
Jackson, Carl & Swan, Lester	BETTER BADMINTON

Eminent coaches and men of athletic renown have given practical form to the fundamentals, strategy and rules of America's most popular sports. A valuable reference shelf for schools, clubs, public libraries. (2/23) Each $1.00

Amstutz, Walter — SKIING FROM A - Z — Oxford

Commentary accompanied by 450 instantaneous movie photographs. Grand. $1.35

Colver, Alice Ross — IF YOU SHOULD WANT TO WRITE — Dodd, Mead

* Good practical first steps in writing. Analyzes types of stories for three age groups. Then takes other sorts of practice writing. A lot that should be helpful for adults. (2/21) $1.50

ADULT BOOKS FOR OLDER BOYS AND GIRLS - *Fiction*

Colver, Anne — LISTEN FOR THE VOICES — Farrar & Rinehart

A story spun on the appeal of the background of Concord in the days of its giants - Emerson, Alcott, Thoreau, etc. Three girls of the younger generation attempt to mold their lives as dictated by their elders. All of this is told against an idealized picture of Emerson, the sage, benefactor of the poor and unimportant people; of the Alcotts, with Louisa as the hoyden, the father as the failure; of Thoreau, erratic and self absorbed, etc. For full report see page 19. (3/19) $2.50

Myers, Henry — OUR LIVES HAVE JUST BEGUN — Stokes

Children's Crusade told once again in a gentle, graceful fictional rendering. Stephen, a mystical child of ten, envisions in a troubadour, the person of Christ whom he believes has been sent to lead him with a group to recapture the tomb of Christ. An appealing story, with the flavor of the times. For full report see page 35. $2.50

ADULT BOOKS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS - *Non-fiction*

Baldwin, Hanson — ADMIRAL DEATH — Simon & Schuster

* Twelve men against the sea, as told by the naval and military correspondent of the New York Times. The *Titanic*, the *Saginaw*, and *Central America*, and others. Thrilling stories all, in spite of their familiarity, a grand reportorial job. Best thing of its kind. For full report see page 429 . $2.50

Bruce, David K. E. — REVOLUTION TO RECONSTRUCTION — Doubleday, Doran

From Washington through Lincoln, a study of our presidents, as men, as patriots, as politicians, as chief executives, of the problems they faced and how they faced them. Useful book for quick reference, rather than a controversial book on the span of history. For full report see page 28. (3/10) $3.50

ADULT BOOKS FOR OLDER BOYS AND GIRLS - *Non-fiction*

Dodds, Robert E. HANDICRAFTS AS A HOBBY Harper

A lucid guide to many types of handicrafts to be practised with minimum of expense: leather work, cloth pictures, hand-weaving, painting on glass, *paper mache*, carving, batik, etc. How to do it and what to do. (Full report on page 9) $2.00

Garbedian, H. Gordon ALBERT EINSTEIN, MAKER OF UNIVERSES Funk & Wagnalls

A competent but uninspired biography of the world's foremost scientist, a man beloved for himself and worshipped for his powers. A human and friendly picture, with enough of anecdote and color to liven the tale of a simple man and a genius. The explanation of his contributions to science is extraordinarily lucid. Full report on page 28. (3/14) $4.00

Fisher, Anne B. WIDE ROAD AHEAD Dutton

The story of a woman bacteriologist, which reads almost like a novel, with vocational highlights. She had all sorts of experiences, dramatic, humorous, pleasant and unpleasant, both in the government bureau of animal pathology and in case work outside. Full report on page 44. (2/21) $2.50

Montague, Sydney R. NORTH TO ADVENTURE McBride

The autobiography of an officer of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and the story of the three years he spent in the Barren Lands. Authentic background for highly colored fiction. Full report on page 45. (2/24) $2.00

Puleston, Dennis BLUE WATER VAGABOND Doubleday, Doran

Six years adventure at sea, with a variety of experiences, on all sort of boats. Happy go lucky adventures, storms, shipwreck, long cruises. This earns a place with good adventure. For full report see page 51. (4/7) $3.00

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Hollowell, Lillian, ed. A BOOK OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE Farrar & Rinehart

In one volume, a representative collection of old and new literature to serve as a measuring rod for appreciation of children's literature. Prose, poetry, myth, fairy tale, hero tales, animal tales, realistic tales. There are complete stories and chapters from books. Many old favorites included (and of course many omitted). Not a substitute for a varied shelf - but useful where funds are limited. Bibliography. (2/15) $5.00

Slocum, Rosalie & Todd, Ann A KEY TO NEW YORK Harper

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Dixon, Madeleine C. THE POWER OF THE DANCE John Day

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